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## (U) CALIFORNIA

#### (U) Menlo Park—Facebook Aims to be 'Hostile Environment for Terrorists'

(U) Facebook condemned the recent London Bridge attacks while pledging to "aggressively remove terrorist content" from its platform, as British Prime Minister Theresa May raised the specter of imposing new regulations to restrict the dissemination of extremist content. In response to May's comments, the director of policy at Facebook, stated yesterday: "Using a combination of technology and human review, we work aggressively to remove terrorist content from our platform as soon as we become aware of it." Last month, Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg announced he would add another 3,000 employees to scrub harmful content from the network.

SOURCE: 4 June 2017, CNBC

## (U) NATIONAL

## (U) Florida—At Least Five Reported Dead in Workplace Shooting

(U) Orlando—Five people, including the shooter, are dead after a shooting at an Orlando business headquarters this morning, according to news media. Police say that is appears to be a work-related incident and is not connected to terrorism. The location is an industrial area in suburban Orlando, northeast of downtown, and the sheriff's office has called the situation "contained and stable." SOURCE: 5 June 2017, CNN

## (U) New York—NYPD Officer in Critical Condition After Being Dragged by Car

(U) New York—An NYPD officer is fighting for his life after a car took off and dragged him more than two blocks, officials said yesterday. Plainclothes police were responded to calls of shots fired in a Brooklyn neighborhood when Officer Dalsh Veve, 35, went over to talk to the occupants of a Honda parked in front of a fire hydrant. The car took off, dragging the officer for more than two blocks. Veve managed to fire off two shots, striking one of the passengers. A 15-year-old with a gunshot wound to the face—who police believe is the driver of the vehicle—admitted himself to a local hospital and is in serious condition.

SOURCE: 4 June 2017, NBC 4 New York

#### (U) Oregon—Fourteen Arrested, Weapons Seized at Pro-Trump Rally

(U) Portland—Police seized several weapons and arrested 14 protesters in Portland yesterday as a day of demonstrations descended into chaos. At least three demonstrations occurred across the city, including a controversial pro-Donald Trump free speech rally at near city hall, which spurred counter protests. At one point, authorities fired pepper balls and flash-bang grenades to clear crowds after protesters threw "a significant amount of projectiles" at police, the department said. Police also seized multiple weapons and other items, including hammers, bricks and chains. The protests came just days after two Portland men were stabbed to death while trying to fend off a man who shouted anti-Muslim insults at two young girls on a light-rail train.

SOURCE: 5 June 2017, ABC News

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## (U) INTERNATIONAL

## (U) Jordan-Jordanian Soldier Charged with Killing Three US Soldiers

(U) Amman—The government of Jordan has formally charged one of its soldiers with murder over his alleged involvement in an attack last year on a military convoy that killed three US service members, according to a Jordanian government official. Three US Army Special Forces soldiers were shot at the King Faisal Air Base in Jordan during 4 November 2016 incident, which turned into an intense firefight between a Jordanian guard, who wore body armor and carried an M-16 rifle, and the US soldiers, equipped only with sidearms. In March, the US military determined that the three men followed proper procedures during the incident, despite initial Jordanian media claims to the contrary. SOURCE: 4 June 2017, CNN

#### (U) Philippines—Thirty-Seven Killed, 54+ Injured in 'Botched Robbery' Casino Attack

(U) Manila—Thirty-seven people were killed and more than 54 people were left injured after a masked gunman entered a casino at the Resorts World Manila entertainment complex in Philippines on 2 June and fired shots and set gaming tables ablaze in what the officials believed was a botched robbery. Most of the victims died due to suffocation in the chaos as both guests and employees tried to escape the smoke at the complex soon after the attack began shortly after midnight. The suspect was found dead in a hotel room in the same complex, according to Manila police. An ISIS-affiliated operative claimed responsibility soon after the attack; however, the police found no terrorism links. SOURCE: 2 June 2017, New York Times

#### (U) Syria—US-backed Syrian Forces Seize Dam West of Ragga from ISIS

(U) Raqqa—US-backed Syrian militias said they seized a major dam on the Euphrates River from ISIS yesterday, their latest gain as they push towards Raqqa city. The Syrian Democratic Forces, an alliance of Kurdish and Arab fighters, said they captured the Baath Dam in the morning, which lies 22 kilometers upstream of Raqqa, the base of ISIS' operations in Syria. The advance means the SDF now hold all three major dams along the Euphrates, after gaining control of Syria's largest dam last month. The operation to storm Raqqa will begin in the next "few days", according to a Kurdish YPG militia spokesman. SOURCE: 4 June 2017, Reuters

## (U) United Kingdom—Seven Killed, 48 Injured in London Attack; ISIS Claims Responsibility

(U) London—A terrorist attack that started on London Bridge and ended in nearby Borough Market on 3 June has left ten dead, including the three attackers, and 48 injured. The attack began as a rented van veered off the road and plowed into pedestrians on the bridge. Three men then exited the vehicle with large knives, attacking restaurant and pub patrons before being shot by responding police. The continuing investigation has led to raids and arrests of at least a dozen people in several London neighborhoods. ISIS has claimed responsibility.

SOURCE: 5 June 2017, BBC, and 4 June 2017, CBS News

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